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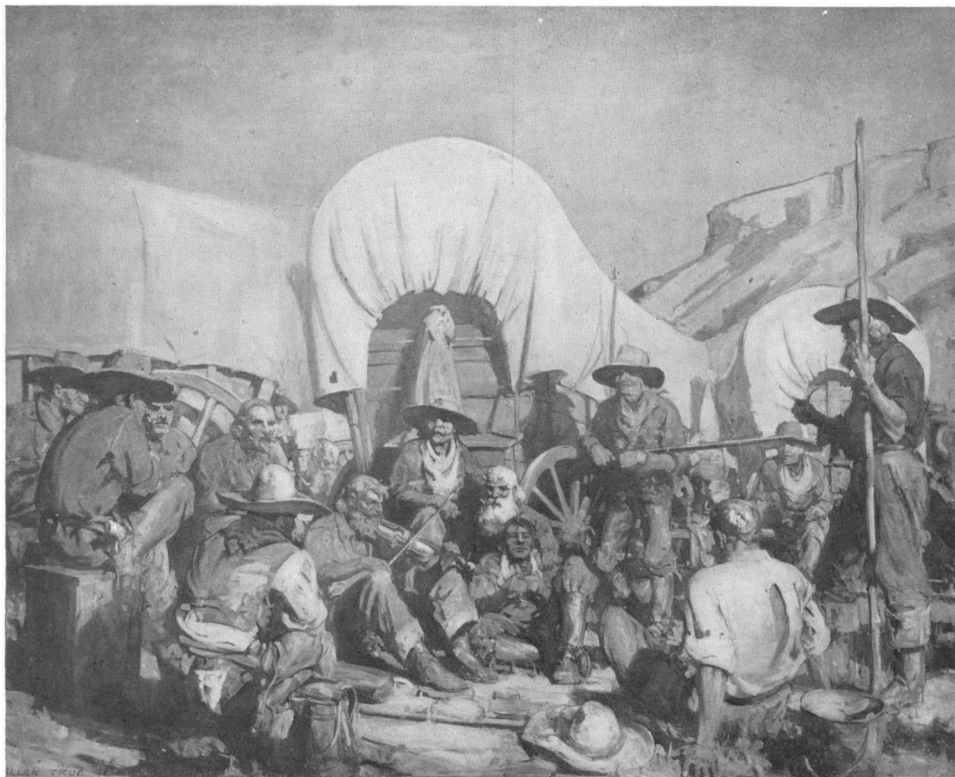
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MURAL DECORATION. CARNEGIE BRANCH LIBRARY. EAST DENVER. BY ALLEN TRUE

A MURAL
PAINTING BY
ALLEN TRUE

"The Commerce of the Prairies," reproduced on this page, is a mural decoration by

Allen True in the Carnegie Branch Library at Denver, Colorado. Of this painting the artist says: "It stands above all as an exposition of my belief that pictures of our own American life, without allegory, are adequate for the decoration of our public buildings. Again, it seems to record picturesque phases of the West which are rapidly being forgotten. But both of these considerations were subordinated to the necessity of making the picture fit on the wall and into the room wherein it has been placed." Mr. True has painted in the western mountains where he found the actual setting for his themes. He is at present, however, assisting Mr. Brangwyn on his decorations for the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

ART IN
RICHMOND,
VIRGINIA

Richmond, Virginia, has an active Art Club which is conducting an up-to-date and excellent school with life classes both for men and for women, classes in elementary drawing, still life, sculpture and illustration. The president of the Association is Major James H. Dooley, and the director of the school is Miss Nora Houston.

Richmond has also an active Woman's Club, which gives attention to problems of art. It has, furthermore, chapters of the American Institute of Architects and the Archeological Institute of America. The Art Club and the Education Association are both chapters of the American Federation of Arts.

This city possesses some fine architectural monuments, old colonial buildings and also some recent works by its present architects. Among the former may be mentioned the Capitol and the old